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RESPONSE AND SURRENDER OF ORIGINAL LETTERS PATENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

October 22, 2001

Sir:

The following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application in response to the Office Action dated August 20, 2001.

The indication that this application is in condition for allowance, except for the surrendering of the Original Letters Patent, is acknowledged.

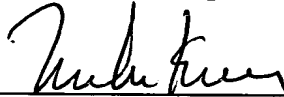
Submitted herewith is the Original Letters Patent, U.S. Patent No. 5,834,922, which is surrendered so as to enable issuance of the reissue application which has been deemed allowable.

In view of the above remarks and the surrendering of the Original Letters Patent, applicants submit this application

should now be in condition for allowance and issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, applicant's petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (501.39180R00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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